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Arthur G. Kidman, Esq. McCormick, Kidman & Behrens, LLP 695 Town Center Drive, Suite 400 Costa Mesa, CA 92626-7187

Dear Mr. Kidman:

WITHDRAWAL OF WATER RIGHT APPLICATION NO. 29898 (SANTA CLARITA WATER COMPANY)

I have received your letter dated May 15, 2003, withdrawing Santa Clarita Water Company's (Santa Clarita) water right Application 29898. Accordingly, Santa Clarita's application will not be addressed in the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) pending hearing on the legal classification of water extracted by certain wells in the Santa Clara River Valley East Subbasin.

The SWRCB has not determined whether Santa Clarita's wells extract groundwater from a subterranean stream flowing in a known and definite channel. If the SWRCB determines in any future proceeding that Santa Clarita is appropriating groundwater subject to the SWRCB's permitting authority, the SWRCB will require Santa Clarita to apply for a water right permit.

If you have any questions, please contact Paul Murphey, Engineering Geologist, at (916) 341-5435.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

Arthur G. Baggett, Jr. Chair

cc: Enclosed Mailing List

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